

To: Tim Vendlinski/R9/USEPA/US@EPA[]
From: "Jackson, Carlie@CNRA"
Sent: Tue 2/12/2013 11:53:13 PM
Subject: RE: EPA coordination with the CA Natural Resources Agency [9:00 on FEB 21st]

Thank you Tim! I'll pass it on to Jerry.
See you next week and travel safely.

Thank you,
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-----Original Message-----

From: Vendlinski.Tim@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Vendlinski.Tim@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2013 3:46 PM
To: Jackson, Carlie@CNRA
Subject: RE: EPA coordination with the CA Natural Resources Agency [9:00 on FEB 21st]

Thanks, Carlie.
I'm traveling this afternoon, but wanted to acknowledge your note.

I'm happy to discuss the 404 process, however, I look forward to discussing other priorities too. I think Jerry knows that EPA's recommendations for coordinated permitting did not resonate with proponents of the BDCP.

Specifically, EPA tried to persuade the project proponents and regulatory agencies to adapt the 'NEPA/404' permitting framework formulated for the comprehensive permitting of federal and state transportation projects.

When I supervised the wetlands program at EPA, I served as one of the architects of that framework, and the framework could have provided some strong advantages to BDCP (both in terms of environmental results and regulatory compliance). Instead, the proponents and agencies chose to pursue a relatively incremental and narrow 404 process that might seem streamlined now, but might not serve the BDCP well over the long-term.

I understand that DWR and the Sacramento Corps District are coordinating intensively on the 404 process, and we have accepted our role as a 3rd party observer of this process; and ultimately as a commenter on the Public Notices that will be issued by the Corps. Congress gives EPA jurisdiction over the 404 program, so we will be involved; it's just a question of how.

I look forward to meeting you in person.
Best Regards, Tim

-----"Jackson, Carlie@CNRA" <Carlie.Jackson@resources.ca.gov> wrote: -----

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To: Tim Vendlinski/R9/USEPA/US@EPA
From: "Jackson, Carlie@CNRA" <Carlie.Jackson@resources.ca.gov>
Date: 02/12/2013 10:31AM
Subject: RE: EPA coordination with the CA Natural Resources Agency [9:00 on FEB 21st]

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Hi Again Tim,

Jerry would like to specifically discuss the 404 process and a general run down.

Thank you,

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From: Vendlinski.Tim@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Vendlinski.Tim@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, February 11, 2013 4:54 PM

To: Jackson, Carlie@CNRA

Subject: RE: EPA coordination with the CA Natural Resources Agency [9:00 on FEB 21st]

Hi Carlie:

I'm just writing to confirm this meeting on FEB 21st.

Please let me know if Jerry has anything in particular he wishes to discuss.

Otherwise, I'll just use my judgement and give him an overview of EPA's work on a variety of fronts that pertain to water quality, habitat restoration, floodplain management, etc.

Regarding potential standing monthly meetings on Mondays (that's a mouthful!), which Monday of the month and what time of the day suits Jerry's schedule?

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From: "Jackson, Carlie@CNRA" <Carlie.Jackson@resources.ca.gov>

To: Tim Vendlinski/R9/USEPA/US@EPA,

Date: 02/08/2013 10:54 AM

Subject: RE: EPA coordination with the CA Natural Resources Agency

Good Morning,

Thank you for contacting me I've been meaning to reach out to you to set a meeting up.

Jerry is open at 9am on February 21st, if that works for you then I can send out an invite right now with our address.

If there is a day during the month that works best for you to have a reoccurring call with Jerry let me know and I will see what we can work out. Monday's work best for Jerry.

Thank you,
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From: Vendlinski.Tim@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Vendlinski.Tim@epamail.epa.gov
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Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 5:22 PM
To: Jackson, Carlie@CNRA
Subject: EPA coordination with the CA Natural Resources Agency

Hello Ms. Jackson:

I replaced Karen Schwinn as EPA's Bay Delta Program Manager, and I'm writing to ask your guidance on how to best coordinate with Mr. Meral. Karen mentioned her monthly meetings or calls with Mr. Meral, so please let me know if you'd like me to pick-up where Karen left off.

As you know, the JAN 11th meeting never materialized, so please let me know if you'd still like to pursue that meeting, or just default back to the monthly appointments.

I'm happy to meet you in person during the morning of my next visit to Sacramento; currently slated for Thursday, FEB 21st.

My afternoon meeting commences at 1:30 so I have flexibility until 1:00 or so.

Best Regards, Tim

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From: Karen Schwinn/R9/USEPA/US
To: "Carlie Jackson" <Carlie.Jackson@resources.ca.gov <mailto:Carlie.Jackson@resources.ca.gov> >,
Cc: Tim Vendlinski/R9/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 01/04/2013 08:14 PM
Subject: Re: FW: meeting

Carlie - my last day at EPA was yesterday. Tim Vendlinski will now be managing our Bay Delta work. I copied him above. Thanks for help setting up our meetings and calls. Take care. - Karen

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To: Karen Schwinn/R9/USEPA/US@EPA
From: "Carlie Jackson" <Carlie.Jackson@resources.ca.gov <mailto:Carlie.Jackson@resources.ca.gov> >
Date: 01/03/2013 04:45PM
Subject: FW: meeting
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Hi Karen,

Jerry is not going to be able to meet with you on January 11th as he needs to be in LA now. I had heard you were possibly retiring is that still happening? If so do you have an end date in mind?

Thank you,

Carlie Jackson

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From: Jerry Meral
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 7:20 PM
To: Schwinn.Karen@epamail.epa.gov <mailto:Schwinn.Karen@epamail.epa.gov>
Cc: Hoffman-Floerke, Dale@DWR; David Zippin; Carlie Jackson
Subject: RE: meeting

LOL. Let's say 10:00 on January 11 at USEPA. Dale, David, et al: is that OK for you? We will cover 404 and CWA issues.

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[mailto:Schwinn.Karen@epamail.epa.gov <mailto:Schwinn.Karen@epamail.epa.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 4:51 PM
To: Jerry Meral
Cc: Hoffman-Floerke, Dale@DWR; David Zippin; Carlie Jackson
Subject: Re: meeting

If I just sent you a blank message, I'm blaming it on the pot hole my bus just hit. Sorry!

Anyway, Jan 11 works for most down here. You doing the driving can pick the time. Thanks!

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From: "Jerry Meral" [jerry.meral@resources.ca.gov]
Sent: 11/28/2012 03:32 PM PST
To: Karen Schwinn
Cc: "Hoffman-Floerke, Dale@DWR" <Dale.Hoffman-Floerke@water.ca.gov <mailto:Dale.Hoffman-Floerke@water.ca.gov> >; "David Zippin" <DZippin@jsanet.com <mailto:DZippin@jsanet.com> >; "Carlie Jackson" <Carlie.Jackson@resources.ca.gov <mailto:Carlie.Jackson@resources.ca.gov> >
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Yes: January 11 would be fine. Is that a good date? Sometime around 10 would be best, to have mercy on those driving from Sacramento, or any time up to 2 or so.

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Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2012 2:16 PM
To: Jerry Meral
Cc: Hoffman-Floerke, Dale@DWR; David Zippin; Carlie Jackson
Subject: Re: meeting

I understand Jerry - though I was looking forward to seeing you. January 7 doesn't work well for us. Was the other possibility Jan 11? Couldn't tell from your note. That might work.

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Subject: meeting

Hi Karen

Got your message regarding our water quality work. I checked with ICF, and they are completely pre-occupied right now in live edits on various documents. We need them, and our consultant RBI, to make the meeting productive. But they will not be available for a couple weeks. I am not available for a San Francisco meeting after December 14.

Although we were also going to cover other 404 and related issues, it would clearly be best to cover everything in one meeting. So I think we should wait for the meeting until January. Here are some possible dates. Please let me know which of these might work for you. We will also have to check schedules with Dale and David.

10 am January 7 (best for me)

Friday, January any time between 10 and 3

Might either of these work?

Jerry

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